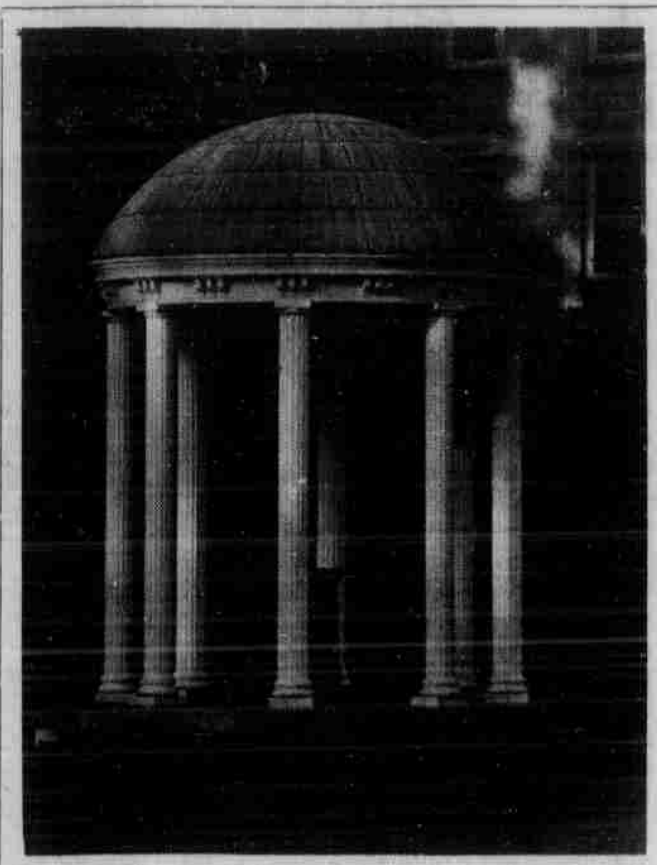
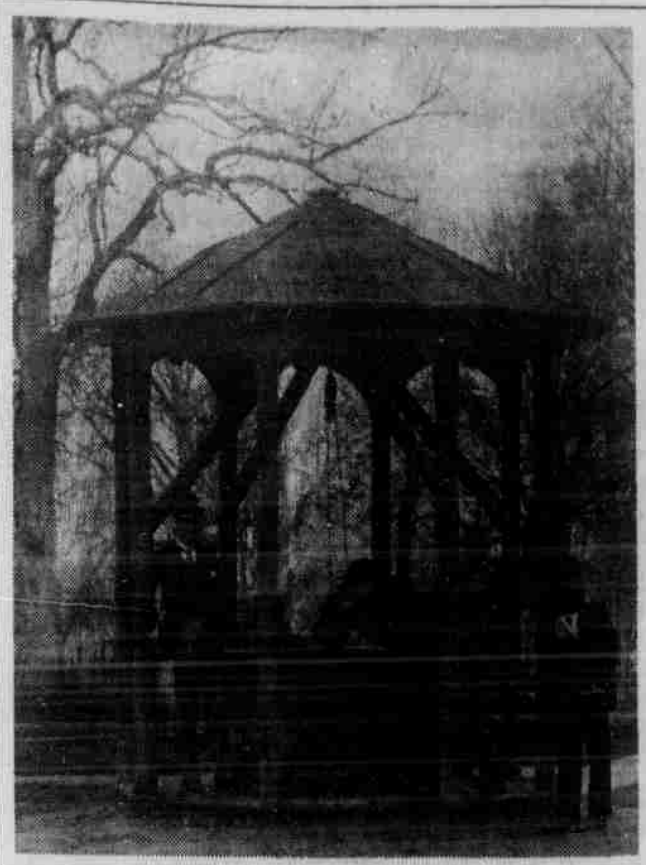


# The old structures of Chapel Hill have a history that's all their own



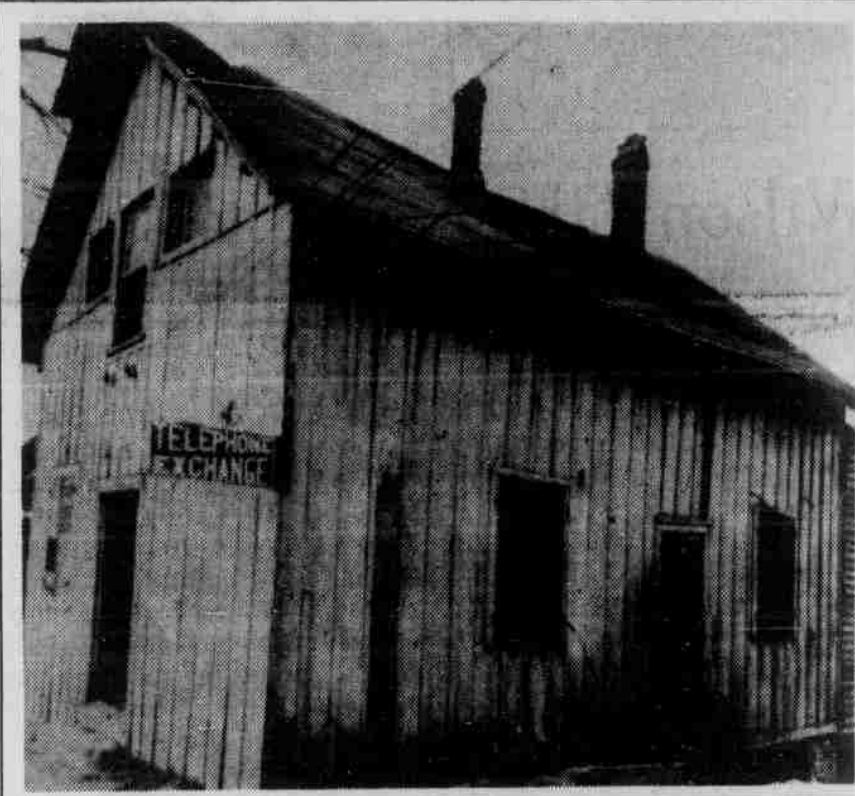
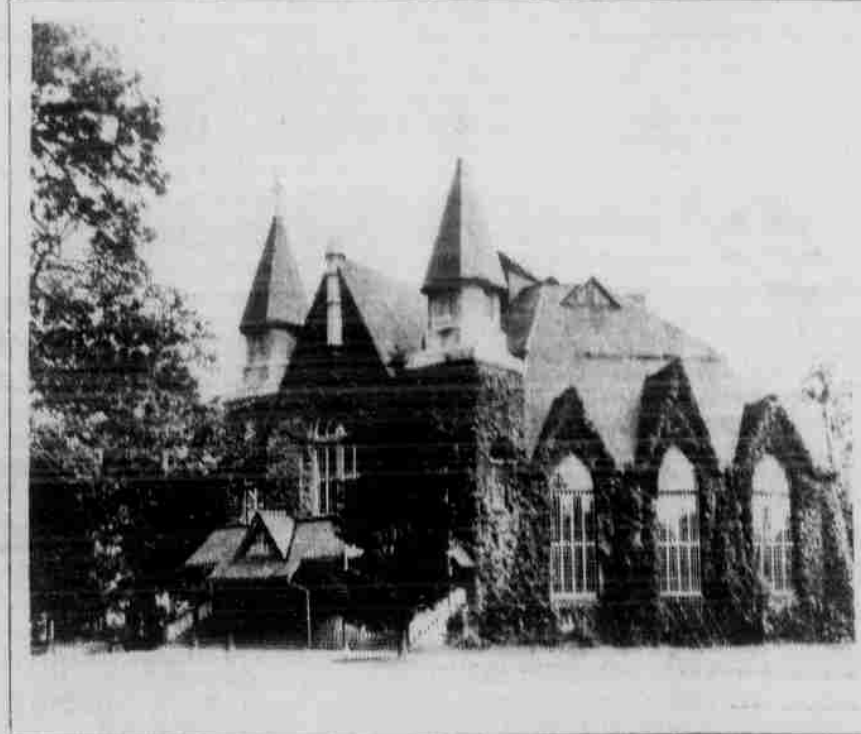
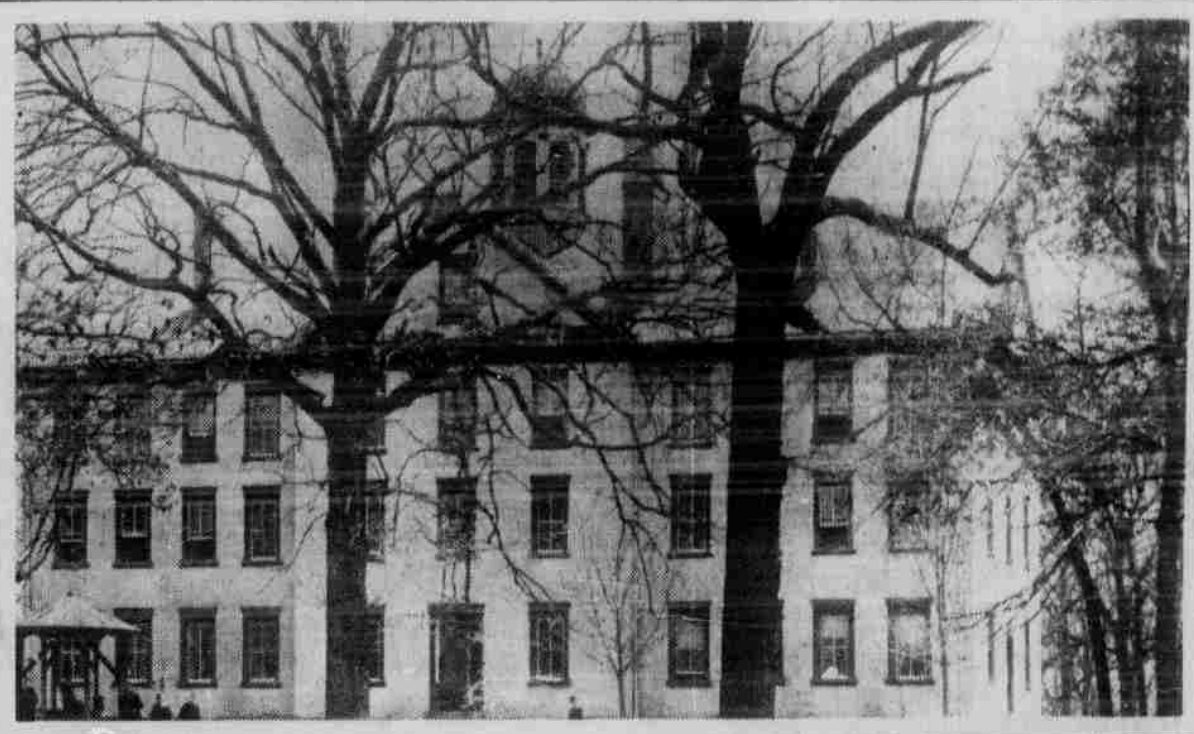
## University's water needs met by Old Well, Pagoda

Recognize the picture on the far left? It's the Old Well in 1892. The old structure was torn down in 1897 and replaced by one very much like the present-day construction that same year (near left). The Old Well originally had a pulley system with which to draw water. Also constructed in 1897 was the Pagoda or Pavilion (right). It was located on what is now Cameron Avenue between Old West and Memorial Hall. Like the Old Well, the Pagoda housed part of the campus water system. Apparently, the structure stood for only about 15 years because photos taken in the latter part of the 1910s have no trace of the Pagoda.



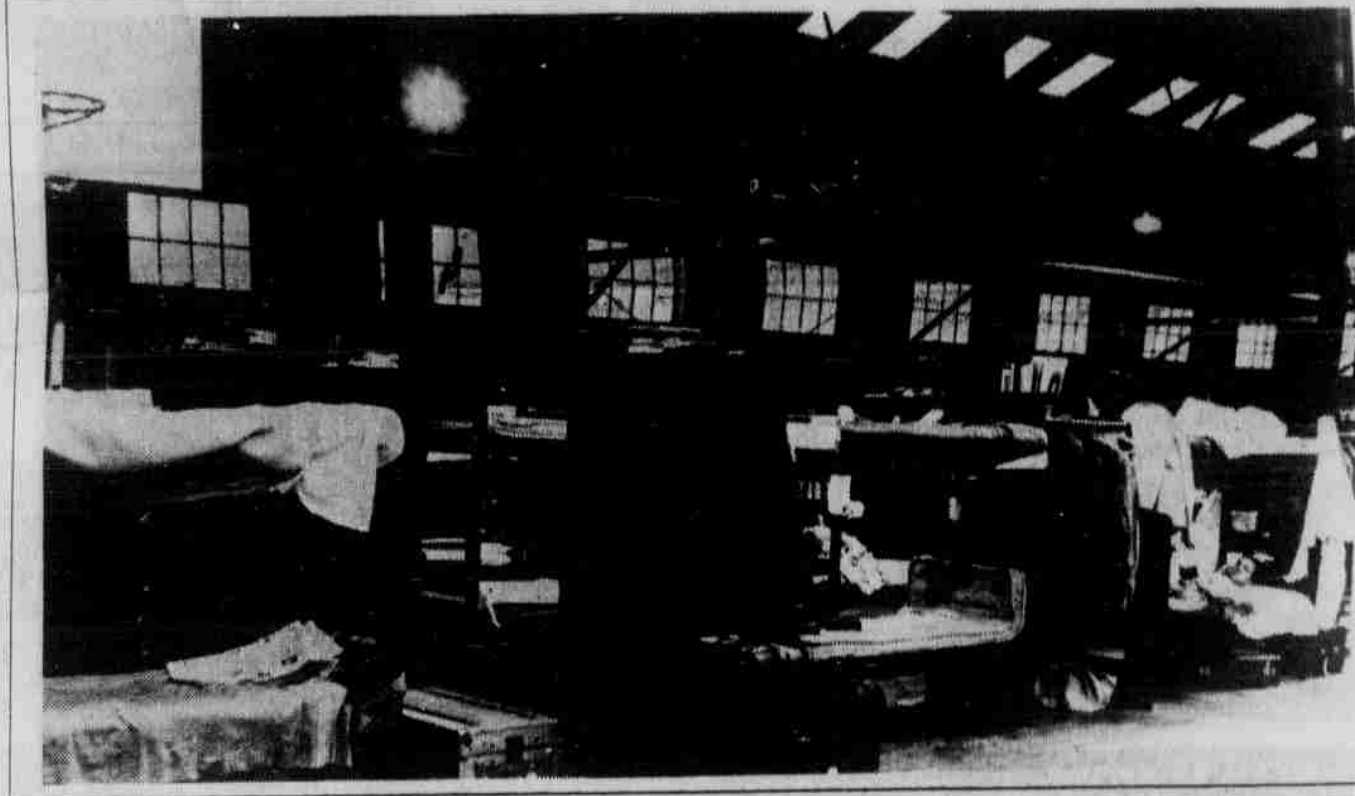
## South Building survives; first Memorial Hall doesn't

This picture of South Building in 1892 (near right) shows the well-worn paths from the Old Well, Old East and Old West. The original structure of South Building did not include the cupola in the center of the picture; it was added in 1861. The building on the far right is old Memorial Hall in the early 1900s after the construction of Cameron Avenue. Constructed in 1885, the building cost \$45,000. The interior was bare of support for the heavy slate roof and proved to be inferior acoustically. By 1929 the building was declared unsafe for use and had to be abandoned. Early in 1930, the structure was torn down, and a new Memorial Hall was built on the site. The new building was ready for use in the summer of 1931.

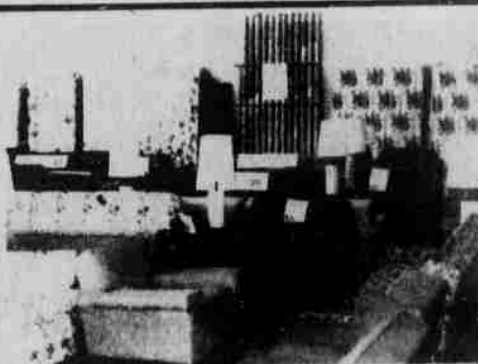


## Telephone exchange gone; Tin Can moved

In the early 1920s the Chapel Hill telephone exchange was located in this building on Henderson Street behind the Post Office (left). When the University assumed control of the utility in 1927, a new exchange was constructed, and this building was torn down. When the boys came home from World War II in 1946, the University provided housing for some of the veterans. The Tin Can was transformed from an athletic facility into a dormitory for many men (right).



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## UNC landmarks lost to progress but not forgotten

By MARK ANDREWS  
Staff Writer

Harried freshmen may wander about the campus pointing out buildings to each other, but there are a few UNC landmarks they won't see. The days of dances at the Tin Can and Saturday afternoon baseball games at Emerson Field are now gone.

William S. Powell, UNC history professor said, "The campus is unique in that not many

buildings have been removed." He pointed out the old Emerson Baseball Stadium where the Union parking lot is located now and the Tin Can, a "temporary" fixture of the campus for half a century, as two of the most recent casualties of university development.

Emerson Field was torn down in the early seventies and replaced by Boshamer Stadium. The Tin Can, a war-surplus building reconstructed in the 1920s for

basketball games, dances and other activities, was removed this summer.

Most of the other buildings on campus, Powell explained, have been saved through remodeling. Several of those remaining now have different functions than they did years ago.

Powell, a 1940 UNC graduate, taught an undergraduate seminar course in the spring on the history of UNC. Students wrote two papers during the semester on topics of their choice concerning some aspect of the University's past.

The favorite gathering places for students in the '30s and '40s were the Graham Memorial and the YMCA Building, Powell recalled.

"The YMCA was the center of the campus

then," Powell said. "There was a soda fountain and there were benches on the outside. Students would sit on the benches and watch the world go by."

"When I was a student in the 40s there was a half hour break at mid-morning and people gathered around the YMCA court. There were only three to five thousand students then and you could know everybody."

The Graham Memorial was the student union until the early 1970s when the Frank Porter Graham Student Union was built.

Powell said he senses some changes in the downtown area since the days when he was a student, and he now looks back a bit nostalgically to simpler, less crowded times.

"People stood around on the street and

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